

FISCAL NOTE

SB 3454 - HB 3507

February 12, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Effective November 4, 2008, authorizes reimbursement for members of the General Assembly for the actual receipted cost of a standard grade hotel room when such member is attending a legislative meeting between annual sessions.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

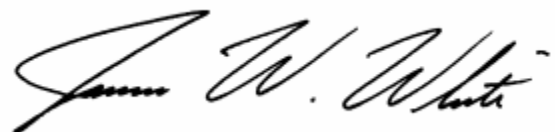
Increase State Expenditures - \$98,600

Assumptions:

- According to the Office of Legislative Administration, the current hotel allowance for members of the General Assembly is \$107 per night. The average rate for hotels in downtown Nashville is \$146, which would be an increase of \$39 per night.
- During 2007, the Senate members were reimbursed for 985 legislative days and the House members were reimbursed for 1,544 legislative days while attending meetings during the interim. The hotel reimbursement totaled \$270,603 (\$107 x 2,529 days). This estimate assumes the same number of days for 2008. To provide hotel reimbursement at a daily rate of \$146 for 132 members would cost \$369,234 (\$146 x 2,529 days). The increase in state expenditures for the first full year would be \$98,631 (\$369,234 - \$270,603).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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